Remarks

Allowable subject matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-21 would be allowable upon filing of a timely terminal disclaimer.

Claims 1-21 have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness type double patenting over Claims 1-16 of U.S. Patent No. 6,371,370. In view of the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer, this rejection may be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, this application is considered to be in good and proper form for allowance and the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issuance.

If the Examiner finds that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at the number provided. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extensions of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1078.

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